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Guest: Joyce Crockett, Director, IS Special Projects

➢ Canvas Update
  • Blackman stated 94 percent of faculty supported Canvas.
  • 63 percent of students experienced some frustration with using two systems.
  • Faculty Senate is considering a resolution in support of Canvas.
  • Hope to make an announcement by the end of the week of April 10.
  • Crockett reminded the group that the Blackboard contract is up in June of 2018 so there is a full academic year to move programs.
  • There will be information sessions twice a day through finals.
  • There will be an all campus meeting on April 14 in CPACS 101 for faculty questions.
  • Possibility of creating an incentive to have a point person within each college.
  • Barnes asked if during the year if the courses populate in both platforms.

Summary for March 2, 2017 Meeting –Approved and Posted on Web Site

New/Old Business

➢ Budget Planning Update
  • Reed discussed updates to the state budget and possible implications for UNO.

➢ Campus Events April 2017
  • Reed reminded the group there are many events in April and to try to attend when possible.

➢ Ombudsperson Update
  • Please send comments to Reed about the proposal.

➢ Plans to Celebrate Chancellor Christensen
  • Chancellor’s Farewell Open House scheduled for April 18

➢ Faculty and Student Honors Convocation
  • Batton reminded the group of upcoming faculty and student events

➢ NARI Update
  • Snyder provided an update on NARI.
  • Many opportunities are being considered. Possible that NARI could take control of the facility in June 2018.
- Batton/Boocker discussed Creation of a Center for Human Rights
- Batton discussed Creation of Screenwriting Undergraduate Minor

**Report Items**
- Undergraduate Child Welfare Concentration in Social Work
- Screenwriting Undergraduate Concentration
- Graduate Concentration in Applied Behavior Analysis within Special Education
- Following Graduate Concentration in Economics
  - Trade and Global Value Chains
  - Growth and Innovation Economics
  - Econometrics and Data Analytics

**Sharing of Information**
- John Bartle discussed tower removal and impact on CPACS. Reminded the group that CPACS will make meeting room requests.
- Mazer updated the group on working groups with UNMC deadline May 31.
- Blackman discussed ITS initiative
- Ali stated IS&T is hosting an event with 100 participants.
  - The Big 12 Plus MIS symposium. Last week Code Crush was on campus.